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## MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

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SUBJECT:

RM 97-13, ASBESTOS LITIGATION FREEZE

On September 25, 1996, the Department of Justice informed the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) that the Asbestos Litigation Freeze has been lifted As a result, DOE is no longer required to respond in writing that it agrees with the destruction of the previously frozen records.

NARA intends to renew normal records disposal procedures for those records covered by the asbestos freeze Unless informed in writing within the next 90 days of circumstances that prohibit destruction of any relevent accessions, the subject records will be automatically destroyed in April 1997.

If your office or site has records that are subject to the destruction notice and you do not want them destroyed, please provide to me no later than March 3, 1997 a listing of the accessions and a justification for retaining them